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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Siphonina Davisi Zone, Reservoir A
Middle Siphonina Davisi Sand, Reservoir A
West Burton Field
St. James and Assumption Parishes, Louisiana
Applicant: Hawthorne Land Company, et al

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **HAWTHORNE LAND COMPANY, ET AL**, for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters:

Siphonina Davisi Zone, Reservoir A

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Siphonina Davisi Zone, Reservoir A, in the West Burton Field, St. James and Assumption Parishes, Louisiana, such unit to be designated SD RA SUA.
2. To create a single drilling and production unit for this zone and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
3. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the unit so created.
4. To provide that any wells drilled outside of the Siphonina Davisi Zone, Reservoir A, should be located in accordance with the provisions of LAC 43:XIX.1901 et seq. (Statewide Order No. 29-E)
5. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the zone and reservoir created herein by supplemental order

without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.

6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Siphonina Davisi Zone, Reservoir A, in the West Burton Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 10,818 feet and 11,198 feet (electrical log measurements) in the BTA Oil Producers-Hawthorne No. 1 Well, located in Section 59, Township 12 South, Range 15 East, St. James and Assumption Parishes, Louisiana.

Middle Siphonina Davisi Sand Reservoir A

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Middle Siphonina Davisi Sand, Reservoir A, in the West Burton Field, St. James and Assumption Parishes, Louisiana, such unit to be designated MID SD RA SUA.
2. To create a single drilling and production unit for this sand and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
3. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the unit so created.
4. To provide that any wells drilled outside of the Middle Siphonina Davisi Sand, Reservoir A, should be located in accordance with the provisions of LAC 43:XIX.1901 et seq. (Statewide Order No. 29-E)
5. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the sand and reservoir created herein by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Middle Siphonina Davisi Sand, Reservoir A, in the West Burton Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 11,440 feet and 11,471 feet (electrical log measurements) in the BTA Oil Producers-Hawthorne No. 1 Well, located in Section 59, Township 12 South, Range 15 East, St. James and Assumption Parishes, Louisiana.

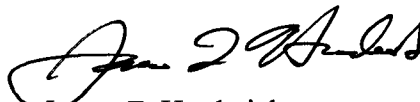
The Commissioner of Conservation has waived the 20-day pre-application notice in connection with this application, and in accordance with the provisions of Rule 8, a joint conference to discuss the applicant's proposal is hereby scheduled for **2:00 P.M. on Friday July 8, 2005, in the offices of Leon E. Comeaux & Associates, located at 305 La Rue France, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508.**

Pertinent data, relating to the subject application may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from James F. Hardwick & Associates, P.O. Box 80972, Lafayette, Louisiana, 70598, Telephone No. 337/232-7756

Attached hereto and made a part hereof are plats outlining the applicant's unit proposal, along with a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the list of parties will be furnished to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check on behalf of the applicant, in the amount of \$1510.00 made payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,



James F. Hardwick

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, Lafayette District Office of Conservation
cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

